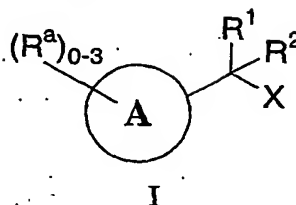


WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound of Formula I



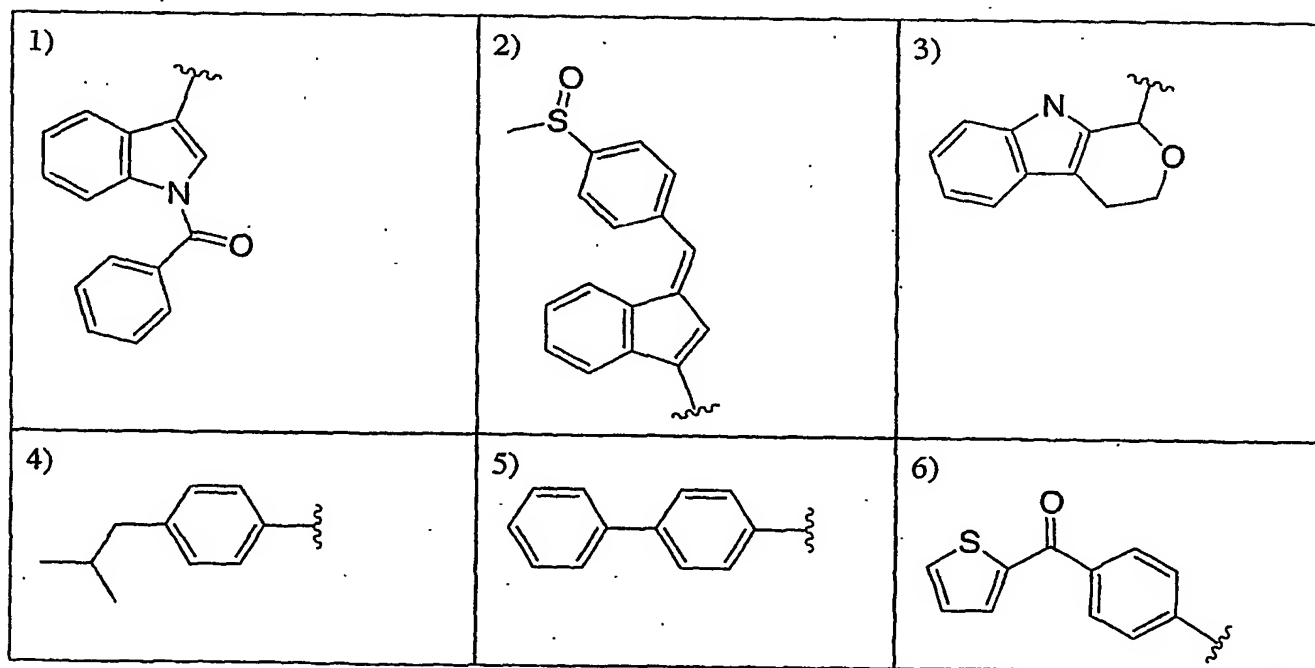
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

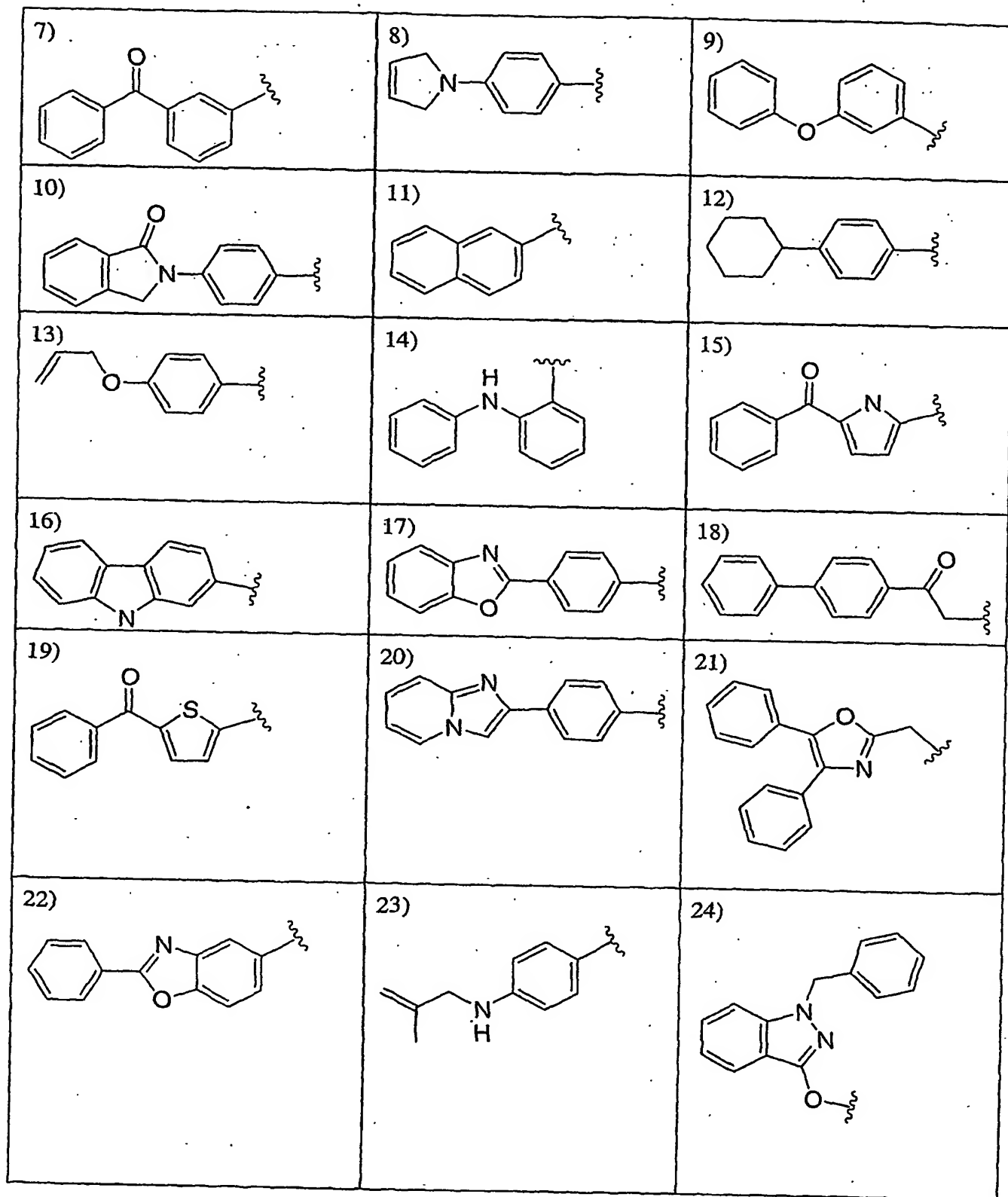
X is $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $1H$ -tetrazol-5-yl or $2H$ -tetrazol-5-yl;

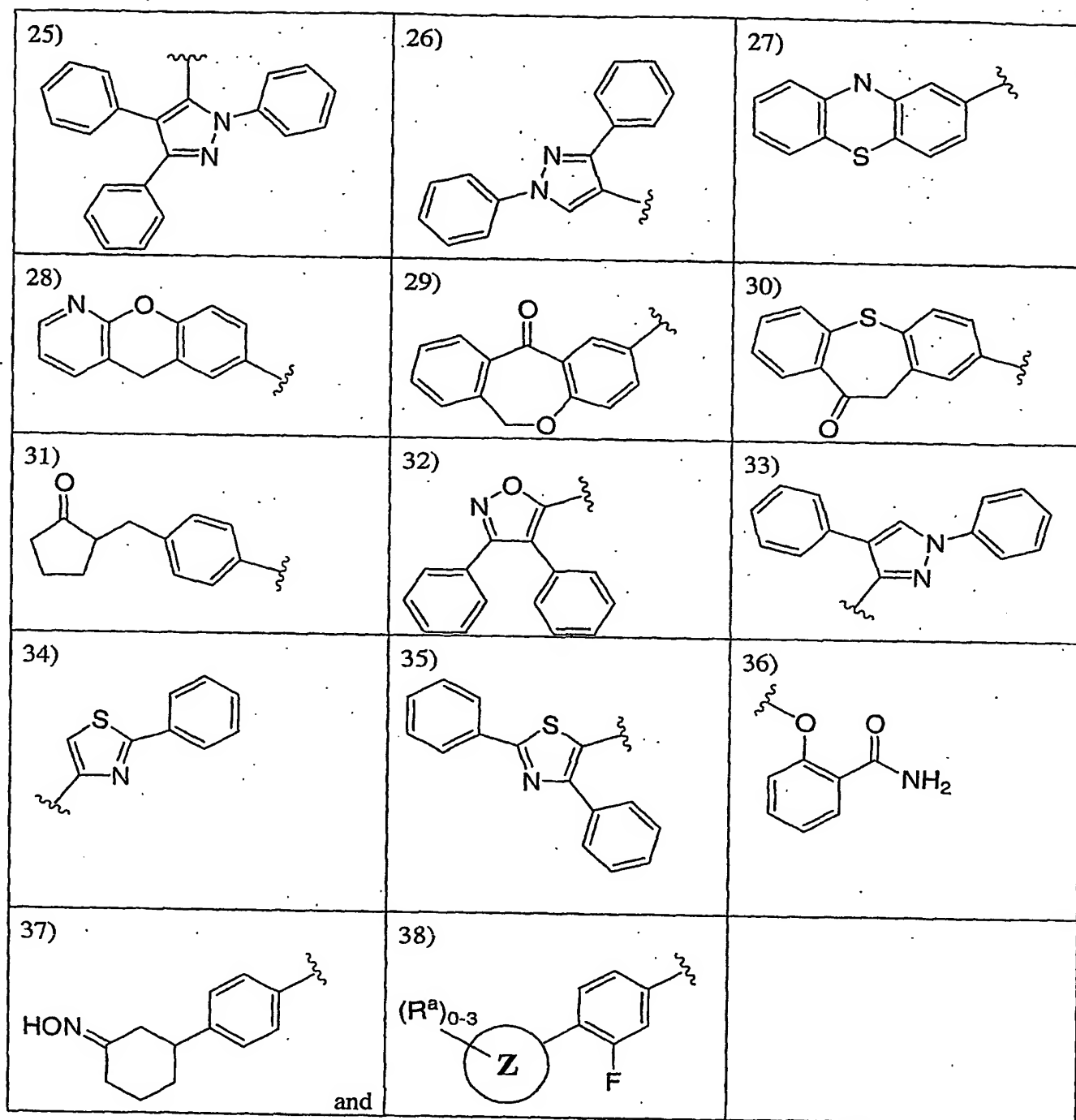
- each R^a may be substituted at any substitutable position on A and each R^a is independently selected from the group consisting of: fluoro, chloro, bromo, NH_2 , methyl, ethyl, methoxy and CF_3 ;

- R^1 and R^2 are each independently selected from the group consisting of: C_{1-6} alkyl and C_3-6 cycloalkyl; and

A is selected from the group consisting of:







wherein for 38) above R^a is substituted on A as shown and Z is selected from the group consisting of: phenyl, benzimidazolyl, benzofuranyl, benzopyrazolyl, benzotriazolyl, benzothiophenyl, benzoxazolyl, carbazolyl, carbolinyl, cinnolinyl, furanyl, imidazolyl, indolinyl, indolyl, indolaziny, indazolyl, isobenzofuranyl, isoindolyl, isoquinolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl,

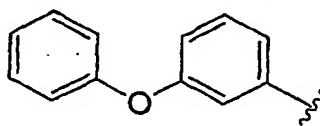
naphthyridinyl, oxadiazolyl, oxazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyrazolyl, pyridopyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrrolyl, quinazolinyl, quinolyl, quinoxalinyl, thiadiazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, triazolyl, azetidiny, 1,4-dioxanyl, hexahydroazepinyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, dihydrobenzimidazolyl, dihydrobenzofuranyl, dihydrobenzothiophenyl, dihydrobenzoxazolyl, dihydrofuranyl, dihydroimidazolyl, dihydroindolyl, dihydroisooxazolyl, dihydroisothiazolyl, dihydrooxadiazolyl, dihydrooxazolyl, dihydropyrazinyl, dihydropyrazolyl, dihydropyridinyl, dihydropyrimidinyl, dihydropyrrolyl, dihydroquinolyl, dihydrotetrazolyl, dihydrothiadiazolyl, dihydrothiazolyl, dihydrothienyl, dihydrotriazolyl, dihydroazetidiny, methylenedioxybenzoyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, and tetrahydrothienyl.

2. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein R¹ and R² are each C₁-4alkyl.

3. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein X is -CO₂H.

4. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein X is 1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl or 2*H*-tetrazol-5-yl.

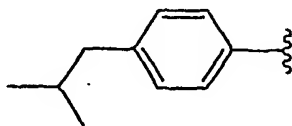
5. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein A is



6. The compound according to Claim 5 wherein no R^a group is present.

7. The compound according to Claim 5 wherein R¹ and R² are each C₁-4alkyl.

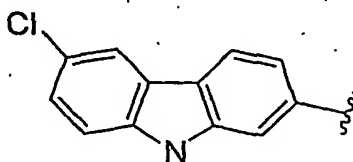
8. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein A is



9. The compound according to Claim 8 wherein no R^a group is present.

10. The compound according to Claim 8 wherein R^1 and R^2 are each C_{1-4} alkyl.

11. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein A is

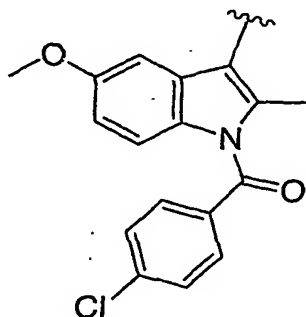


10 and wherein the two additional R^a groups may be substituted at any substitutable position on A above.

12. The compound according to Claim 11 wherein no R^a group is present.

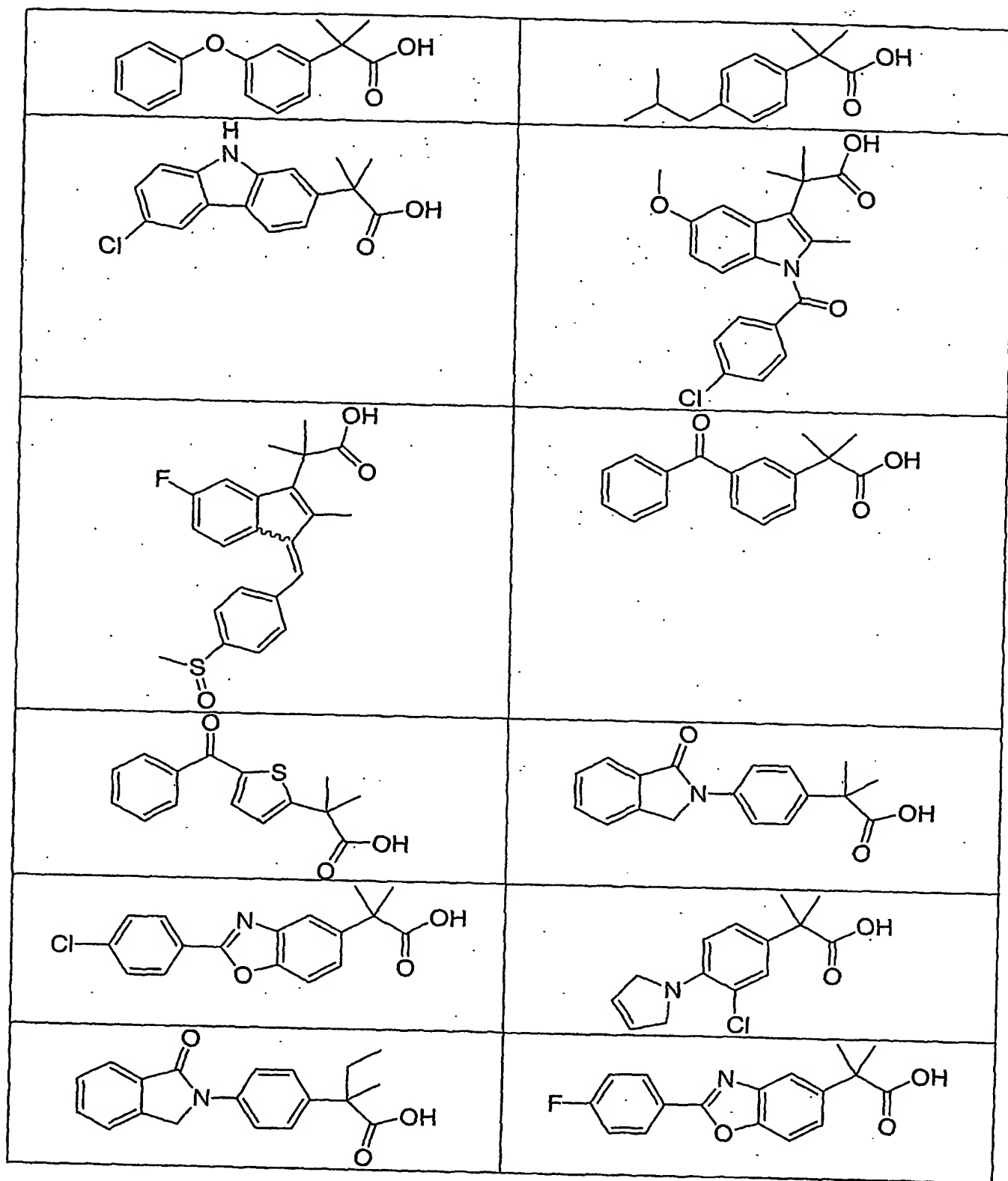
13. The compound according to Claim 11 wherein R^1 and R^2 are each C_{1-4} alkyl.

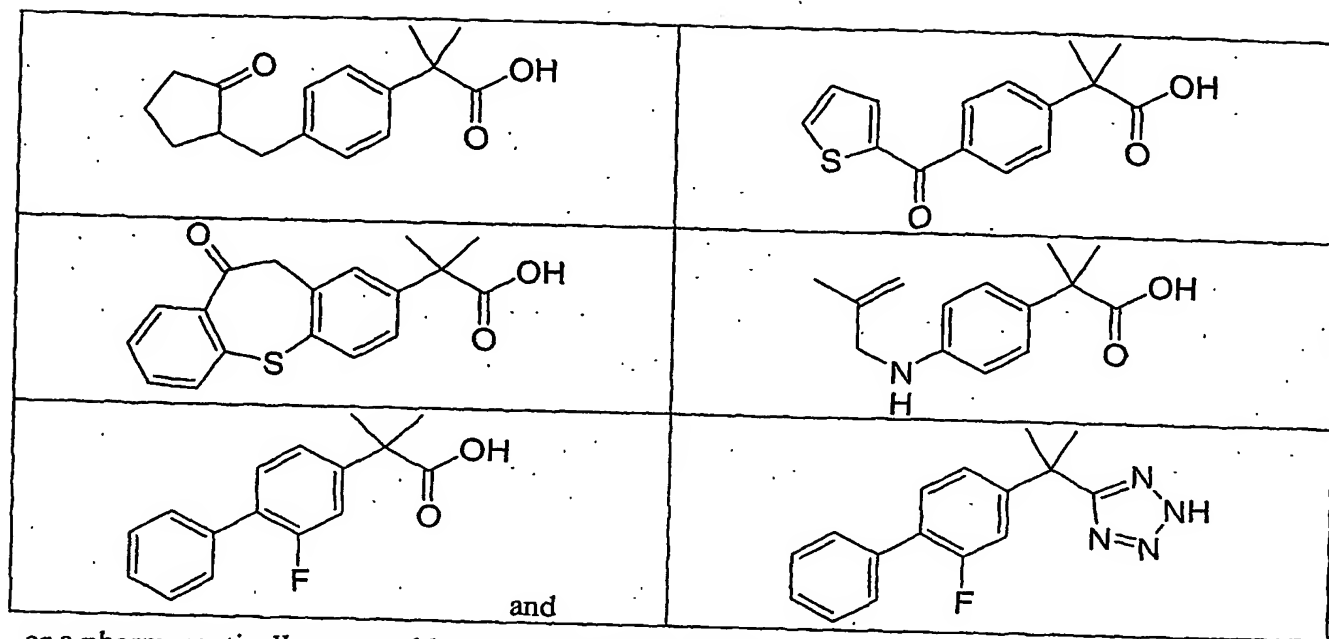
14. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein A is



15. The compound according to Claim 14 wherein R^1 and R^2 are each C_{1-4} alkyl.

16. A compound selected from the following group:





or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of any of the above.

17. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein R¹ and R² are each methyl.

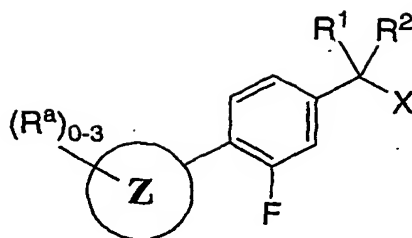
18. The compound according to Claim 1 wherein R¹ is methyl and R² is ethyl.

19. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 1 in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

20. A method for preventing, delaying or reversing the progression of Alzheimer's Disease in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient a compound according to Claim 1 in amount that is effective for preventing, delaying or reversing the progression of Alzheimer's Disease.

21. A method for treating Alzheimer's Disease in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient a compound according to Claim 1 in amount that is effective for treating Alzheimer's Disease.

22. A compound according to Claim 1 of Formula I'



I'

5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

Z is selected from the group consisting of: phenyl, benzimidazolyl, benzofuranyl, benzopyrazolyl, benzotriazolyl, benzothiophenyl, benzoxazolyl, carbazolyl, carbolinyl, cinnolinyl, furanyl, imidazolyl, indolinyl, indolyl, indolaziny, indazolyl, isobenzofuranyl, isindolyl, isoquinolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, naphthyridinyl, oxadiazolyl, oxazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyrazolyl, pyridopyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrrolyl, quinazolinyl, quinolyl, quinoxalinyl, thiadiazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, triazolyl, azetidiny, 1,4-dioxanyl, hexahydroazepinyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, dihydrobenzimidazolyl, dihydrobenzofuranyl, dihydrobenzothiophenyl, dihydrobenzoxazolyl, dihydrofuranly, dihydroimidazolyl, dihydroindolyl, dihydroisooxazolyl, dihydroisothiazolyl, dihydrooxadiazolyl, dihydrooxazolyl, dihydropyrazinyl, dihydropyrazolyl, dihydropyridinyl, dihydropyrimidinyl, dihydropyrrolyl, dihydroquinolinyl, dihydrotetrazolyl, dihydrothiadiazolyl, dihydrothiazolyl, dihydrothienyl, dihydrotriazolyl, dihydroazetidiny, methylenedioxybenzoyl, tetrahydrofuranly, and tetrahydrothienyl,

20 X is $\text{-CO}_2\text{H}$, 1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl or 2*H*-tetrazol-5-yl,

R¹ and R² are each independently ethyl or methyl, and

25 each R^a is independently selected from the group consisting of: fluoro, chloro, bromo, NH_2 , methyl, ethyl, methoxy and CF_3 .

23. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein Z is phenyl.

30 24. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein R^a is not present.

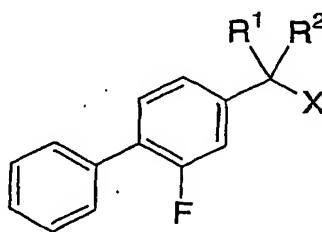
25. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein R¹ and R² are each methyl.

26. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein X is -CO₂H.

5 27. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein X is 1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl or 2*H*-tetrazol-5-yl.

28. The compound according to Claim 22 wherein R^a is selected from the group consisting of: fluoro, chloro and bromo.

10 29. The compound according to Claim 22 of Formula I'a



I'a

15 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

X is -CO₂H, 1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl or 2*H*-tetrazol-5-yl and

20 R¹ and R² are each independently ethyl or methyl.

30. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 22 in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

25 31. A method for preventing, delaying or reversing the progression of Alzheimer's Disease in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to the patient a compound according to Claim 22 in amount that is effective for preventing, delaying or reversing the progression of Alzheimer's Disease.

32. A method for treating Alzheimer's Disease in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient a compound according to Claim 22 in amount that is effective for treating Alzheimer's Disease.